

**FIRST DAY**  
(Continued)  
(Wednesday, June 21, 1989)

**AFTER RECESS**

The Senate met at 9:00 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

Senator Zaffirini offered the following invocation:

Lord, we come before You this morning to petition You once again to allow us to address our issues and to resolve them with dignity, with grace, with intelligence and wisdom. And Lord, always remind us that when we stand before You we should come to You not only with petitions for ourselves, but also with prayers of intercession for others, and always prayers of thanksgiving for Your many blessings, and prayers of adoration of You. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

Senator Sims submitted the following report for the Committee on Administration:

**S.R. 4**

**SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING**

On motion of Senator Montford and by unanimous consent, the following bills were introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

**S.B. 1** by Montford, Brooks, Caperton, State Affairs  
Harris, Krier, Lyon, Parker

Relating to the reform of the workers' compensation system; to the creation, powers, and duties of the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission; to work safety; authorizing an appropriation; providing criminal and administrative penalties; and providing for taxes and fees.

**S.B. 16** by Parmer Criminal Justice  
Relating to the creation of the offense of and punishment for using or exhibiting a handgun during the commission of a felony offense.

**S.B. 17** by Parmer Criminal Justice  
Relating to the punishment of murder during the commission or attempted commission of an aggravated felony under the Texas Controlled Substances Act as a capital offense.

**S.B. 18** by Sims Natural Resources  
Relating to the eradication or control of certain animal diseases by the Texas Animal Health Commission.

**S.B. 19** by Brooks State Affairs  
Relating to the application of the workers' compensation laws to certain political subdivisions, including community centers for mental health and mental retardation services.

**S.B. 20** by Brooks Health and Human Services  
Relating to the care and treatment of persons with intractable pain by the use of dangerous drugs or controlled substances; providing a penalty.

**SENATE RULES SUSPENDED**

On motion of Senator Montford and by unanimous consent, all necessary rules were suspended in order that the Committee on State Affairs might hear **S.B. 1** today upon adjournment.

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following Message from the Governor was read and was referred to the Committee on Nominations:

Austin, Texas  
June 21, 1989

TO THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE,  
FIRST CALLED SESSION:

I ask the advice, consent and confirmation of the Senate with respect to the following appointment:

TO BE SECRETARY OF STATE TO SERVE DURING THE REMAINDER  
OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THIS GOVERNOR:

GEORGE S. BAYOUD, JR.  
2613 Pecos Street  
Austin, Texas 78703

Mr. Bayoud is replacing Jack M. Rains of Houston, who resigned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/W. P. Clements, Jr.  
William P. Clements, Jr.  
Governor of Texas

**NOMINEE CONFIRMED**

On motion of Senator Harris and by unanimous consent, Senate Rules 14.01 and 14.02 were suspended in order that the confirmation of George Bayoud, Jr., to be Secretary of State, be considered immediately.

On motion of Senator Harris, Mr. Bayoud was confirmed as Secretary of State by the following vote: Yeas 23, Nays 0.

Absent: Carriker, Green, Johnson, Parmer, Santiesteban, Uribe, Washington, Whitmire.

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**

**S.R. 7** - By Montford: In memory of Reverend J. W. Farmer of Lubbock.

**S.R. 8** - By Montford: In memory of G. A. "Sug" Edwards of Wolfforth.

**CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTION**

**S.R. 6** - By Glasgow: Extending congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Speer of Cleburne on their 50th wedding anniversary.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Senator Brooks, the Senate at 9:21 a.m. adjourned, in memory of Marjorie "Midge" Burnett, wife of former House member Dick Burnett of San Angelo, until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

**In Memory  
of  
Marjorie "Midge" Burnett**

Senator Sims offered the following resolution:

**(Senate Resolution 9)**

WHEREAS, The death of Marjorie "Midge" Burnett, wife of former House member Dick Burnett of San Angelo, on June 15, 1989, deeply saddened her family and many friends; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Burnett was born June 8, 1922, in Detroit, Michigan; after attending Ohio Wesleyan University and Toledo University, she graduated from the Mercy School of Nursing in Toledo in 1946; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Burnett headed the LVN school from 1973 to 1980 as administrator and instructed hundreds of students training as health care professionals; she also taught Howard College in 1980 after its transfer from the San Angelo Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, She joined the nursing staff at St. John's Hospital in San Angelo;

WHEREAS, Midge Burnett married Richard "Dick" Burnett on September 5, 1947, in Toledo and raised three children, William Guy, Thomas R. and John D., with her husband; she lived in several states and Puerto Rico with her family; and

WHEREAS, Midge Burnett was a rare person; she was an unselfish and giving person who put friends, family, and patients before herself; she was a joy to all those who spoke with her and an inspiration to all whose lives she touched; her spirit will live on in the hearts of her family and many friends for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 71st Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Midge Burnett and extend sympathy to the members of her family and our former colleague, Dick Burnett; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the official copies of this Resolution be prepared for the members of her family, and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Marjorie "Midge" Burnett.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Brooks and by unanimous consent, the names of the Lieutenant Governor and Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

On motion of Senator Sims and by unanimous consent, the resolution was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.